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CLAIM LISTING:

A listing of an entire set of claims 1-18 is submitted herewith per 37 C.F.R. §1.121. This listing of pending claims 1-18 will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of error retention for multi-threaded software, comprising:

executing an application which uses a logger that collects log statements; collecting at least one log statement, the log statement including a retention level indicator. from at least one application thread and storing the at least one log statement in memory; and

allowing the collected log statement to be persisted in case of an error in a production environment.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the application and logger are implemented on a web application server.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the executing application is run in a development environment.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the executing application is run in a test environment.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the logger is built into a base class of an object oriented application framework.

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- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the production application is an Internet accessible application.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the method can be implemented using background threads.
 - 8. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising: detecting a death of an application thread by the logger; and deleting the application thread's log statements after thread death detection.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A system of error retention for multi-threaded software, comprising:

means for executing an application which uses a logger that collects log statements;

means for collecting at least one log statement, the log statement including a retention level indicator, from at least one application thread and storing the at least one log statement in memory; and

means for allowing the collected log statement to be persisted in case of an error in a production environment.

10. (Original) The system of claim 9 further comprising:
means for detecting a death of an application thread by the logger; and
means for deleting the application thread's log statements after thread death
detection.

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11. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium storing a computer program comprising:

computer readable code for executing an application which uses a logger that collects log statements,

computer readable code for collecting at least one log statement, the log statement including a retention level indicator, from at least one application thread and storing the at least one log statement in memory; and

computer readable code for allowing the collected log statement to be persisted in case of an error in a production environment.

- 12. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 11 wherein the application and logger are implemented on a web application server.
- 13. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 11 wherein the executing application is run in a development environment.
- 14. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 11 wherein the executing application is run in a test environment.
- 15. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 11 wherein the logger is built into a base class of an object oriented application framework.
- 16. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 11 wherein the production application is an Internet accessible application.

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- 17. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 11 wherein the method can be implemented using background threads.
- 18. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 11 further comprising: computer readable code for detecting a death of an application thread by the logger; and

computer readable code for deleting the application thread's log statements after thread death detection.